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Case No. 8627-327 (PA-5445-RFB)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Darin G. Schaeffer et al.

Serial No: 10/712,420

Examiner: Lois L. Zheng

Filed: November 12, 2003

Group Art Unit: 1742

For: ELECTROPOLISHING  
APPARATUS AND METHOD  
FOR MEDICAL IMPLANTS

**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (37 CFR § 1.136(a))**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

This is a petition for an extension of the time to respond to Final Rejection dated November 1, 2006 for a period of 1 month(s).



Applicant:

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claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

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☒ is other than small entity.

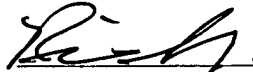
|                                     | <u>Extension<br/>Months</u> | <u>Other Than<br/>Small Entity</u> | <u>Small Entity</u> |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | One Month                   | \$120.00                           | \$60.00             |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Two Months                  | \$450.00                           | \$225.00            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Three Months                | \$1,020.00                         | \$510.00            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Four Months                 | \$1,590.00                         | \$795.00            |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Five Months                 | \$2,160.00                         | \$1,080.00          |

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- ☒ Attached is a check for \$120 for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Attached is a credit card authorization form for \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Petition fee.
- ☐ Charge Petition fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this Petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: February 20, 2007

  
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